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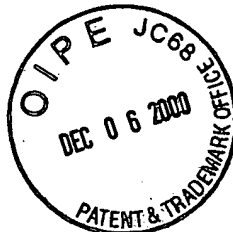
In re Application of:

Takeshi BANDO et al.

Serial No.: 09/319,741

Filed: June 11, 1999

For: CONTAINER WITH A HINGED LID



Group Art Unit: 3727

Examiner: Niki Eloshway

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the USPTO is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of each of the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are attached.

Also enclosed is a copy of a European Search Report bearing a mailing date of September 18, 2000, and the USPTO is directed thereto for a concise statement of possible relevance of the references cited therein.

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claimed invention. See 37 C.F.R. 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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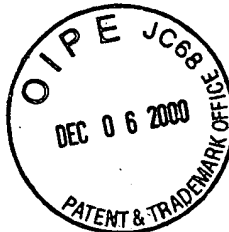
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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

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[X] Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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[] No item of information in the Information Disclosure Statement filed, to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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